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My life shall be a challenge, not a truce!
This is my homage to the mightier powers.
To ask my boldest question, undismayed
By muttered threats that some hysteric sense
Of wrong or insult will convulse the throne
Where wisdom reigns supreme;
Thou wilt not hold in scorn the child who dares
Look up to Thee, the Father—dares to ask
More than thy wisdom answers.
From thy hand
The worlds were cast; yet every leaflet claims
From that same hand its little shining sphere
Of starlit dew.
—O. W. Holmes.

OUR DUTY TO THE PHILIPPINES.

The Literary Digest tells us that no newspaper objections are heard to Secretary Taft's proposition to reduce the duties upon goods entering the United States from the Philippines from the present rate, which is 75 per cent of the Dingley tariff rates, to 25 per cent of those rates, the reduction to apply to sugar and tobacco, while all other Philippine products are to be placed on the free list. It will be recalled that a bill reducing the duties on all imports from the Philippines to 25 per cent of the Dingley rates was passed by the house at the last session and amended in the senate so as to reduce the sugar and tobacco duties 50 per cent and remove all others. The bill, however, was not passed.

"As has been pointed out," says the Chicago Record-Herald, "the experience of Hawaii and Porto Rico furnishes the strongest practical argument for the removal of all restrictions on Philippine trade with the United States. Such action would give the Philippines fresh proof of American justice and good will." The New York Journal of Commerce thus discusses what it calls our "shameful treatment of the Philippine trade":

"The most preposterous thing in our treatment of the Philippine islands since we took possession of them is the maintenance of any tariff at all intended to be protective of American industries. The idea of protecting any industry of this great country, with its resources, its capital, its energy and highly developed system of production and trade, against the poor Filipinos and their primitive methods, ought to bring the blush of shame to the cheek of the most hardened champion of the home market. The mainstay of the Philippines for developing a profitable trade, apart from their peculiar product known as Manila hemp, lies in their capacity for growing sugar and tobacco; and it is this against which protection is demanded, to the shame and disgrace of American sugar and tobacco growers. They are ready to keep down the development of the struggling dependency on the other side of the globe lest they should be unable to withstand its power of competition.

"Thus far congress has permitted itself to be 'held up' by these timid and selfish interests from doing a simple act of justice to a possession that has been rendered dependent upon our government; but, in addition to that, at the demand of another selfish interest, it has done an act of positive injustice by providing for an increase in the cost of getting Philippine products to this country and sending products from this country to the Philippines after July 1, 1906. The cost of transportation over the long distance between the islands and the United States is burden enough upon the trade for any reasonable protection to 'competitive industries' in the United States, but by confining this transportation to American vessels and enabling them to charge what they will for the service, it is

proposed to increase this burden. Even if the duties should be reduced or removed, altogether, the effect would be neutralized in part, if not altogether, by depriving trade with the islands of the advantage of competition in transportation. To give a few concerns a chance to make a little money out of them, their trade would be sacrificed and their efforts to develop industry would be weighed down. Shutting Philippine products out of our market by taxing their entrance into it and burdening them with extra cost of conveyance is about as barbarous a way of treating a dependent people as ingenious malice could devise."

The farmers of Greeley, Col., will send several hundred carloads of potatoes to the famine-stricken Irish. It sounds like sending coal to Newcastle to send potatoes to Ireland. The average American who has all the wants of appetizing and nutritious food, has no conception what a failure of the potato crop of Ireland means. It means starvation to many of the Irish peasants. No wonder there are more Irishmen in America than in Ireland.

The North Sea inquiry board which is to investigate the Dogger Bank outrage in which the Russian fleet fired upon defenseless English trawlers of the fishing fleet, will convene tomorrow in Paris.

The conclusion they will arrive at will probably be that the Russian warships fired upon their own torpedo boats by mistake and that the fatalities among the fishing fleet were caused by wild shooting.

Southern Oregon is shipping Christmas trees by the carload to Southern California. A good deal of mistletoe is also being shipped. No wonder the demand for mistletoe is brisk. If mistletoe is not to be had, why a kiss under a branch of sagebrush would help some.

Portland will soon have a new open air sanitarium for the treatment of consumption. Every effort should be made to combat the ravages of the "great white plague." The best medicine so far discovered is pure air, exercise and wholesome food.

Dr. McLoughlin, one of the best loved characters in the early days of Oregon's history, for his uniform kindness to the early settlers, is to be honored by having the name of Mt. Pitt, in Southern Oregon, named Mt. McLoughlin.

BLOOD CELLS.



Man is a millionaire many times over in the possession of blood cells. Woman is not quite so rich, for scientists have proven that the normal number of red blood cells in adult men is five million; in women four and a half million, to the square millimeter. The normal cell is not absolutely round in health, but, in disease, becomes extremely irregular in shape. Every one can be in perfect health and possess the millions of rich red blood corpuscles if they only know how to go about it. Dr. E. V. Pierce, consulting physician to the Inva-Lido Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., advises every man and woman to prepare for a long life by observing nature's laws. In the first place, if your digestion is faulty, and the food you eat is not taken up by the blood and assimilated properly, you need a tonic and digestive corrector, something that will increase the red blood corpuscles; he believes in going about this in nature's own way. Years ago, in his active practice, he found that an alternative extract of certain herbs and roots, put up without the use of alcohol, would put the liver, lungs and heart into fuller and more complete action. This medicine he called Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. By assimilating the food eaten, it nourishes the blood, and instead of the ill-shaped corpuscles, the person's blood takes on a rich red color and the corpuscles are more nearly round. Nervousness is only the cry of the starved nerves for food, and when the nerves are fed on rich red blood the person loses those irritable feelings, sleeps well at night and feels refreshed in the morning.

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MISERY FOR THE MASSES.

That the Russian government is in grave danger from its own people is shown from time to time by the scraps of news that escape the censor. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the North American Review has written a thrilling letter concerning the conditions among the czar's subjects. One paragraph of which is follows:

"For the first time in Russian history the meaning of war has been brought home to the minds of the masses. During the Turkish campaign, its pressure was hardly felt. The law of universal conscription was then only in its embryonic stage, and the contributions of men made by any particular area, were quite insignificant. At present mobilization takes place in vast districts and populous cities, and the men come in crowds wrathful and murmuring. Merchants, officials, clerks, teachers, actors, farmers are summoned from their homes and ordered to cut every tie of kindred, friendship, business, and set out to kill or be killed. There is no discharge in this war. In vain, wives, sisters, brides and daughters fall on their knees in the mud imploring generals, privy councillors and even the czar himself, to spare the bread winner. Fate is not more inexorable.

There is only one issue and many take it—suicide. Here, several youths blow their brains out; there, men throw themselves from the upper stories of high houses; in another place, a whole family swallows

poison. A few lie down on the rails in front of the trains, many run away. Some go mad. Women give birth to dead children in the square where the recruits foregather. Weeping and mourning are universal. Nor is death the worst to be feared. The tortures of the wounded are known to be maddening. Private letters have come from men who lay for 48 hours in the field, with festering wounds and parching thirst, forgotten. No wonder that the murmurs of the peasants waxed loud in some places, and became mutiny in others.

In his great letter denouncing war, Tolstol told practically the same story. There may be glory in the war for Stoessel, and opportunity for a Kuropatkin, but the Russian masses find in it only misery.

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SPECIAL SALE THIS WEEK—
All \$3.50 Waists.....\$2.80
All \$4.00 Waists.....\$3.20
All \$4.50 Waists.....\$3.60
All \$5.00 Waists.....\$4.00
All \$6.00 Waists.....\$4.80
All \$7.50 Waists.....\$6.00
All \$8.00 Waists.....\$6.40

Great Fur Sale

THE BALANCE OF THIS WEEK
Every ladies' Fur or Muff, every Misses' and Child's Fur Set in the house will be sold at a great reduction. We want to thoroughly clean out this section by Saturday night, and have reduced the prices to such an extent that everybody can afford a Fur. Pretty Furs for women, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$5.00
The \$30.00 Furs now.....\$23.00
The \$25.00 Furs now.....\$18.00
The \$20.00 Furs now.....\$15.00
The \$15.00 Furs now.....\$11.25
The \$13.00 Furs now.....\$9.15
EVERY FUR IN THE HOUSE REDUCED IN PRICE.

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50 dozen Ties by express, 15c to \$1
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A Suitable Xmas Gift FOR YOUR WIFE.
The New Home Sewing Machine, regular \$75.00, this week \$37.50

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Fancy hair brushes.....35c
Fancy hat brushes.....35c
Fancy baby set brushes.....75c
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Women's pure linen embroidered handkerchiefs, in a large variety of styles.....25c
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In our assortment of neckwear for women you will find the largest and noblest line in Pendleton. Just received by express 50 dozen in all the pretty new designs. Prices are.....15c to 75c each
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Dolls, real pretty ones 25c to 50c
Better ones.....\$1.00 to \$1.50
Tool chests.....60c
Engines.....50c to \$1.00
Banks.....15c to \$1.00
Blocks.....10c to 50c
Books.....5c to 25c
100 kinds of mechanical toys.....35c to 90c
Dogs.....25c to 50c
Horns.....5c to 25c
Trains.....15c to \$2.00
Wagons.....25c to \$1.00
Hook and Ladder Wagons.....50c to \$2.00
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